GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF CANCER MEDICINE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of hospitals catering to cancer patients in the country, State-wise;

(b) the extent of success achieved in the eradication of the cancer so far;

(c) whether the Government are aware that some scientists at D.S. Research Centre, Varanasi, have developed a new medicine `Sarvapisti` based on the science of nutrient energy and reported to have saved thousands of cancer patients; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to verify the claims of this centre and to make available such a life saving medicine in all the cancer hospitals?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b) Health being a State subject this information is not collected and maintained centrally. The aim of the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) is to augment and upgrade existing treatment facilities, create awareness and plug geographical gaps in treatment facilities.

(c) & (d) According to the information furnished by the Central Council of Research in Ayurveda and Siddha (CCRAS) under the Deptt. of Indian System of Medicine and Homoeopathy (ISM&H), the medicine `Sarvapisti` claimed to have been developed by D.S. Research Centre, Kolkata is not a classical Ayurveda/Siddha Medicine. However, in order to verify the claims made by the Centre, the Council has requested them to furnish more details.